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WHEAT FALLS DESPITE A DECREASE IN VISIBLE SUPPLY.

Some Advance in Liverpool Buoyed It Up at the Start, but by the Execution of a Few Selling Orders, It Begins to Decline, and No Cold Wave or Other Rumor Can Stop It in Its Downward Career—Other Markets.

Chicago, Feb. 19.—Wheat declined 1/4 cent today, and closed with a loss of 1/2 cent for May. May corn closed 1/2 cent lower, and oats 1/4 cent lower, and improved lower all around.

Wheat opened 1/4 cent improved, compared with its value at the close of Saturday's session. There was a lack of enthusiasm at the advance, and such as there was got easily squelched by the execution of a few selling orders from outside sources, notably from New York. The better feeling at the start was due to an advance of 1/4 to 1/2 cent, which Liverpool reported at the opening. This advance was accompanied by the report that there was a hard frost in England. There was also some talk of a cold wave, headed in the direction of the winter wheat district of this country, which was another support to the advance at the start.

There was also a small decrease in the amount of wheat on hand at the start, the primary market receipts, so far as known of them before the opening, were light. The latter, however, did not repeat the firmness of the first received, and the clearances from the seaboard were disappointingly small. The opening price for May was 94 1/2 cents, and kept that value for ten minutes, it then began to weaken, and about an hour and a half from the opening it had declined to 94 cents. The visible supply showed a "large" decrease from last week, but this was due to a reduction being reported. But that did not help to strengthen the market, for the lowest price of the day was reached after the visible supply statement was announced. May went down under the depressing influence of the heavy sales, and closed at 93 1/2 cents, advanced 1/2 cent, declined 1/4 cent, and reacted 1/4 cent to the close at 93 1/2 cents.

In corn there was only a moderate trade, the market running quiet all day, with the exception of a short time at the opening. The tone at the start was the same as for wheat, but the advance was not so pronounced. Values held steady for a while, until wheat turned down, when corn sympathized, selling off 1/4 cent, and rallying later, when the market was quiet. The close was 94 1/2 cents, and the close was at the bottom of the market.

Provisions opened easy and slightly lower, on the run of live hogs at the yards being in excess of estimates; reacted on the strength early in the week, and then settled to a moderate extent, when the market broke. Good quality of pork, however, sent prices up again to the outside figures of the day thus far. The offerings were light, with a corresponding volume of trading. Later on the market ruled weak, and declined to the lowest point of the day on two blocks of mess pork being thrown out. The market closed steady. Compared with Saturday night, mess pork is 1/2 cent lower, and the close was at 12 1/2 cents, and the close was at 12 1/2 cents.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 75,000; corn, 750,000; oats, 225,000; hogs, 25,000.

DRY GOODS QUOTE.

New York, Feb. 19.—The week opened uninteresting in the dry goods market. Prices are somewhat higher, as the result of conditions by some of the principal firms, in order to close out and even up assortments. Print cloths are quiet, on the basis of 25 cents for prompt delivery. Prints and printed fabrics rule fairly active. Ginghams and good quality wash goods are quiet, but steady. The jobbing trade just about holds its own.

Chicago Market.

The market today experienced the following range of prices.

	Open	High	Low	Close
WHEAT	93 1/2	94 1/2	93 1/2	93 1/2
February	93 1/2	94 1/2	93 1/2	93 1/2
July	93 1/2	94 1/2	93 1/2	93 1/2
CORN	94 1/2	95 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2
February	94 1/2	95 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2
July	94 1/2	95 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2
OATS	22 1/2	23 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2
February	22 1/2	23 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2
July	22 1/2	23 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2
MEAT	12 1/2	13 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2
February	12 1/2	13 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2
July	12 1/2	13 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2
LARD	7 1/2	8 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2
February	7 1/2	8 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2
July	7 1/2	8 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2
RIBS	7 1/2	8 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2
February	7 1/2	8 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2
July	7 1/2	8 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2

Cash quotations were as follows:

	Receipts	Shipments
Wheat	10,000	10,000
February	10,000	10,000
July	10,000	10,000
Corn	10,000	10,000
February	10,000	10,000
July	10,000	10,000
Oats	10,000	10,000
February	10,000	10,000
July	10,000	10,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was unchanged; creamery 24 1/2c, dairy 24c. Eggs were easier; strictly fresh 12c.

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